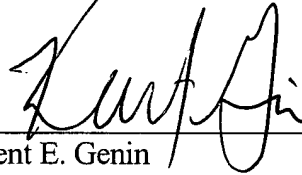


original specification, no separate petition to elect categories I or II set forth in the Notice To File Missing Parts is necessary and Applicant accepts application as deposited on December 18, 2001.

Consideration and allowance of pending claims 1-12 is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kent E. Genin', is written over a horizontal line.

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